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FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

DENMARK.—*The "Brandforsikkring for Huse og Gaarde" (Fire Insurance Company for Buildings)*, at Copenhagen, has published the results of the business for the year ending the 30th September, 1854.

The risks in force on that day amounted to Rthlr.61,281,150 (£6,575,684) on buildings in the town of Copenhagen, being Rthlr. 1,400,000 (£155,556) more than at the last year. The funds of the Society amount to Rthlr.1,560,675 (£173,418), Rthlr.13,459 (£1,495) more than last year. The amount of claims has been, in the year 1853-54, Rthlr.36,125. 94sh. (£4,014), viz.—

	Rthlr.	sh.	£.
25 claims each less than Rthlr.500 (£56) . .	1,864		207
5 " " " 3,000 (£333) . .	6,107	94	679
1 "	6,272		697
1 "	21,882		2,431
	Rthlr.36,125	94	£4,014

The income was—

	Rthlr.	£.
Premiums	20,199	2,244
Interest	67,600	7,511
	Rthlr.87,799	£9,755

Rthlr.23,000 (£2,556) have been paid to the Royal Committee, for fire engines, &c.

It is surprising that the system of mutual fire insurance, limited to the buildings of a single town, still prevails on the Continent, notwithstanding that many fires of great extent have proved that such a system may for many years seem advantageous, and yet at last prove to be ruinous. The great accumulation of risks is increased by the circumstance that no other insurance of a building is allowed.

The Life Insurance and Annuity Society at Copenhagen, established in 1842, publishes the following accounts from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1854:—

Annuity branch—

	Rthlr.	sh.	£.
Income	359,675	86	39,964
Payments	106,941	27	11,882
Surplus	252,734	59	28,082

The funds on the 31st December, 1854, were Rthlr.2,353,468. 11sh. (£261,496).

Widows' annuity branch—

	Rthlr.	sh.	£.
Income	85,658	32	9,51
Payments	5,626	57	625
Surplus	80,031	71	8,89

The funds on the 31st December, 1854, were Rthlr.212,229. 83sh. (£23,581).

Life insurance branch—

	Rthlr.	sh.	£.
Income	141,028	10	15,680
Payments	95,564	84	10,618
Surplus	45,463	22	5,062

The funds on the 31st December, 1854, were Rthlr.345,470. 82½sh. (£38,386).

BREMEN.—*Duration of Voyages from Bremen to the undermentioned Ports, in* 1852–54.

From BREMEN to	Number of Vessels.		Average Duration of Voyage.			Shortest Duration of Voyage.			Longest Duration of Voyage.		
	1853.	1854.	1852.	1853.	1854.	1852.	1853.	1854.	1852.	1853.	1854.
			Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.
New York. *Steamers*	14	15	21	21	20	17	19	15	31	29	25
Ditto. *Sailing Vessels*	155	214	46	49	47	23	35	29	83	75	76
Baltimore	41	56	54	50	50	32	32	36	82	78	88
New Orleans	31	43	57	58	54	41	41	42	73	69	69
Philadelphia	11	12	51	55	48	38	39	37	80	80	67
Galveston	8	14	61	59	60½	46	46	52	79	84	78
Charleston (S. C.)	1	..	47	46							
Rio de Janeiro	1	..	71	68	..	62	..	..	81		
Ditto, *viâ* Newcastle	..	6	..	..	85	..	..	67	..	..	103
Ditto, „ Cardiff	..	2	..	..	82	..	..	73	..	..	91
Bahia	2	2	56	52½	51½	49	46	42	64	59	61
Rio Grande do Sul	1	3	120	81	63	91	..	52	148	..	70
Pernambuco	1	..	41	91							
Havanna	9	5	68	56	51	53	49	43	83	75	66
Trinidad de Cuba	2	3	69	65	58	38	61	50	101	69	72
S. Jago de Cuba	3	5	50	48	55	35	46	47	60	50	64
Cienfuegos	2	1	45	57½	51	..	43	..	..	72	
Manzanilla de Cuba	1	1	56	72	42	46	..	..	66		
Matanzas	1	..	81	55							
Cuidad Bolivar	6	3	69	74	57	62	52	48	83	113	68
Ditto, *viâ* Liverpool	..	5	108	..	76	84	..	72	126	..	87
La Guayra	..	1	71	..	50	42	..	..	96		
Aguadilla	1	7	51	43	40	40	..	33	69	..	55
San Juan	..	1	77	..	33	54	..	..	102		
Ponce	..	..	73								
Mayaguez	1	..	58	43							
St. Thomas	3	..	40	51	..	38	36	..	43	78	
Ditto, *viâ* Newport	..	3	87	..	84	56	..	68	132	..	97
Cape Hayti	2	2	42	45	49	..	38	38	..	61	60
Porto Plata	4	..	39	48½	..	..	38	..	..	52	
Port au Prince	1	..	..	64							
Gonaives	..	1	..	..	52						
Buenos Ayres	1	2	..	69	68½	..	..	62	..	..	75
Kingston (Jamaica)	1	..	66	41	..	51	..	..	82		
Quebec (Canada)	2	3	53	52½	48	35	52	43	96	53	56
Canary Islands	3	2	..	19	21½	..	18	19	..	20	24
Batavia	..	..	112	..	..	110	..	..	114		
Odessa	12	..	53	60½	..	41	39	..	61	107	
Galatz	4	..	75	75	..	60	57	..	96	100	
Constantinople	1	..	89	68							
Gronland, out & home	12	11	158	149	148	137	109	128	175	194	168

Duration of Voyages from the undermentioned Ports to Bremen, in 1853–54.

To BREMEN from	Number of Vessels.		Average Duration of Voyage.		Shortest Duration of Voyage.		Longest Duration of Voyage.	
	1853.	1854.	1853.	1854.	1853.	1854.	1853.	1854.
			Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.	Days.
New York. *Steamers*	13	16	17	18	13	15	24	29
Ditto. *Sailing Vessels*	31	75	33	35	22	18	49	50
Baltimore	34	34	37½	39	24	28	49	67
New Orleans	27	39	55	54	44	37	87	79
Philadelphia	..	4	..	28	..	22	..	35
Galveston	5	5	70	55	57	39	94	66
Charleston (S. C.)	7	6	44	41	37	32	57	56
Richmond (V. A.)	13	17	38	41	27	27	49	67
Rio de Janeiro	11	6	78	67	54	51	116	94
Bahia	22	26	68	62	49	33	115	84
Rio Grande do Sul	3	1	86	87	77	..	98	
Pernambuco	4	4	71½	62	55	56	88	71
Santos	4	4	81	70	70	43	103	89
Havanna	9	10	54	55	41	40	68	75
Trinidad de Cuba	11	16	53	56½	44	43	61	71
S. Jago de Cuba	13	16	53	53	42	30	68	85
Cienfuegos	..	2	..	56	..	53	..	59
Manzanilla de Cuba	7	16	66	55	50	40	101	79
Matanzas	..	2	..	52	..	38	..	66
St. Cruz de Cuba	4	..	51	..	43	..	57	
Gibara	2	2	48½	68½	42	41	55	96
Nuevitas	2	..	59	..	57	..	61	
Cuidad Bolivar	2	10	60½	44	48	42	73	119
La Guayra	..	3	..	48	..	42	..	52
Aguadilla	6	7	44	47	32	40	51	58
San Juan	..	2	..	52	..	52	..	52
Ponce	2	6	54	72	53	32	55	115
Arecibo	7	6	44	51	32	39	51	70
Guayama	2	3	47½	44	44	38	51	49
Mayaguez	3	1	58	59	49	..	72	
Cape Hayti	2	5	71½	57	42	40	101	75
Porto Plata	13	14	43	57	33	41	55	95
Port au Prince	1	..	95					
Gonaives	1	1	42	58				
Buenos Ayres	1	3	78	83	..	77	..	92
Kingston (Jamaica)	7	..	58	..	42	..	81	
Canary Islands	3	..	39	..	32	..	44	
Fayal (Azores)	1	2	36	24½	..	24	..	25
Mexico	3	5	104	113	62	63	129	175
Sta. Martha	3	2	99	71	83	58	117	83
Akyab	4	10	137	143	122	132	151	157
Batavia	..	4	..	139	..	124	..	155
Odessa	16	26	89	73	55	42	140	136
Galatz	24	6	100	88	67	63	146	106
Constantinople	3	1	91	74	70	..	108	